

REMARKS

The last Office Action has been carefully considered.

It is noted that claims 45 and 46 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b)

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The same claims rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112.

At the same time, the other claims were allowed by the Examiner.

In view of the Examiner's rejection of claims 45 and 46, these claims have been canceled without prejudice.

The allowable claims 23-32 and 34-44 have been retained as they were.

It is therefore believed that present application now contains only allowable claims.

Reconsideration and allowance of the present application is most respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner have any further comments or suggestions, the undersigned would very much welcome a telephone call in order to discuss appropriate claim language that will place the application into condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,


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